## Neighborhood Ballard Interbay Manufacturing Industrial Center

Implementor OED Matrix FM11

Activity

Preservation of Land for the Fishing /Maritime Industry. The City shall fund a study to examine the strategies used for preservation of farm land, open space, and resource lands in Washington State to determine how the waterfront and water-dependent property in the BINMIC should be reserved for the cyclical needs of the fishing and maritime industries.

<u>FM11: 1 of 1</u> **Sub-Activity** Examine strategies used for preservation of farm land, open space and resource lands.

Sub-Act Comment(s) The Seattle Shoreline Alternative Mitigation Plan will change the way that the city implements its Shoreline Master Program for the shoreline between the Hiram Chittenden Locks and the Montlake Cut. This area includes the Salmon Bay, the Ship Canal, Lake Union and Portage Bay. While no changes will be made in the overall policy direction of the Shoreline Master Program, development of this plan will result in changes to the ways that some projects can satisfy the requirements to provide public access or to protect the shoreline environment.

**Jason Wachs** 

10/19/05

After a thorough public participation process and analysis of shoreline conditions, a set of shoreline restoration and public access projects will be identified. These projects will be selected with an eye to providing benefits throughout the freshwater shorelines in the study area and will represent the best opportunities for a comprehensive approach to shoreline restoration. Shoreline project applicants will then have the option of satisfying all shoreline protection and public access requirement on-site or by financially supporting projects that are identified in the Shoreline Alternative Mitigation Plan.

DPD held a public workshop on June 29, 2005, to discuss a plan that would allow more flexibility in shoreline development requirements, while also strengthening habitat protection and enhancing public access. The following article was in the DPD News on June 7, 2005.

Called the Shoreline Alternative Mitigation Plan (SAMP), this project would change the way that the city implements its Shoreline Master Program (SMP) for shorelines between the Hiram Chittenden Locks and the Montlake Cut, including Salmon Bay east of the locks, the Ship Canal, Lake Union and Portage Bay.

While the City is not considering changes in the overall policy direction of the SMP, development of the alternative mitigation plan will result in changes to the way that some types of shoreline development projects can satisfy requirements to provide public access or to protect the shoreline environment.

The goals of SAMP are to:

- -Promote the vitality of water dependent industrial uses by providing onsite expansion opportunities and a predictable and timely permitting process;
- -Protect and restore shoreline aquatic habitat by identifying key restoration projects and leveraging public and private resources to implement these projects; and
- -Provide and enhance public access opportunities.

Currently, the City's SMP requires that developers satisfy shoreline mitigation and public access requirements onsite. By allowing developers to satisfy these requirements offsite, shoreline restoration projects can be located where they will have the most impact, and shoreline permit applicants will gain greater flexibility in site layout and benefit from a more predictable permit process.

Drawing on a thorough public participation process and detailed analysis of existing shoreline conditions, a set of shoreline restoration and public access projects is being identified. Shoreline project applicants will then have the option of satisfying shoreline protection and public access requirements on-site, or by financially supporting projects that are identified in the alternative mitigation plan.

## Timeline:

- 1. In January, February, and March of 2005 a series of roundtable discussions were held with industrial property owners, neighborhood groups, environmental and public access advocates to identify some of the issues and questions that should be answered through this project.
- 2. In April a citizens advisory committee was convened. This committee will serve as a sounding board as the plan is developed and provides important insights as to how the goals of the plan can be realized.
- 3. On June 29 a public workshop was held for the general public and provided an opportunity to learn more about the plan, take comments, and ask questions.
- 4. In the late winter of 2005, an open house will be held for public review of a draft Shoreline Alternative Mitigation Plan. This open house will be followed by a public comment period. Once the public comment period concludes, and appropriate revisions to the plan have been made, it will be forwarded to the City Council which will then conduct a public hearing on the proposed plan.

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Dena Gazin

11/19/04

Old Summary: This proposal along with a host of other possible remedies were considered during an exhaustive look at Seattle's manufacturing and maritime industry recently conducted by OED. A 15-member steering committee composed of representatives from a broad cross section of Seattle's maritime industries provided guidance to project staff and consultants. Results of this study and the Mayor's Strategic Action Plan were announced on April 28, 2004. This 2004 BINMIC priority, first proposed in the BINMIC plan, is not articulated specifically in the Maritime Sector Strategic Action Plan.

Rob Mattson 05/07/04

On June 29, Mayor Nickels convened the Seattle Industry summit where over 100 owners and executives of Seattle industries met with City and Port of Seattle officials to discuss barriers to expanding and retaining traditional and maritime industries in Seattle. Councilman David Della plans to convene a series of forums this fall each of which will have a specific topic related to issues important to industrial businesses.

This BINMIC priority will likely come up as one possible strategy which could defend industrially zoned properties against rapidly escalating land values prompted by non-industrial redevelopment.

Target CompletionEstimated CostN/AStatusIn-ProgressLead Agency/ContactOED; Brian Surrat, 206-684-8591PriorityTop

Implementor DPD Matrix RG3

Shoreline Street Ends. Revise the text of the City policy regarding use of shoreline street ends in industrial areas (Resolution 29370) to strengthen the preference given to uses that support or are compatible with existing or proposed industrial development in the BINMIC by prohibiting new public access projects on shoreline street ends within the BINMIC.

RG3: 1 of 1

Activity

**Sub-Activity** Look into revising the text of the City policy regarding use of shoreline street ends in industrial areas.

Sub-Act Comment(s) DPD has been engaged in the development of the Shoreline Alternative Mitigation Program and should be publishing a draft plan for public review in February 06. This plan will cover all shorelines in the ship canal/Lake Union area. (John Skelton)

Jason Wachs 09/13/05

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John Rahaim 05/20/04

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We received a request to make an amendment to the Comp Plan regarding the use of street ends in BINMIC. We're right now exploring whether the Comp Plan is the only or best place to deal with that.

Tom Hauger 03/18/04

The project regarding 'shoreline street ends' is not an OPM project. I think that it is probably a DPD or SDOT issue (zoning & use of the street ends by businesses or community residents). [Kenny Pittman, OPM]

Dena Gazin 03/12/04

Target CompletionEstimated CostN/AStatusIn-ProgressLead Agency/ContactDPD; Jim Holmes, 684-8372PrioritySecond

ImplementorDPDMatrixRG13ActivityRaise

RG13: 1 of 1

Raise Shoreline Substantial Master Permit Exemption. Recommend that DCLU and the Port of Seattle petition the Department of Ecology to raise the Shoreline Substantial Master Permit Exemption categorical exemption from \$2,500 to \$20,000 and annually index the exemption to meet the inflation CPI.

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Comment(s)

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Changed the status from Not Started to In-Progress and added DPD as the lead. The exemption was raised Jason Wachs in 2002 from \$2,500 to \$5,000 so progress has been made with respect to this Neighborhood Goal since the 09/07/05 Neighborhood Plan was created.

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According to Margaret Glowacki at DPD, the exemption has not been changed since 2002 and therefore remains at \$5,000. No new legislation has been proposed to change the amount.

2004 Priority Summary: In 2002, the exemption was raised from \$2,500 to \$5,000. DPD does not anticipate work on the shoreline master program in the foreseeable future. Raising the amount of the exemption requires state legislative action since the State Department of Ecology is the regulatory agency.

The amount was already raised to \$5,000. No actions have been taken either by DPD or through the legislature (that I know of) to further change the categorical exemptions. We are not scheduled to do major work on shorelines in the foreseeable future (by 2009).

1 of 5 neighborhood plan priorities for 2004. It is recommended that DCLU and the Port of Seattle petition the Department of Ecology to raise the Shoreline Substantial Master Permit Exemption categorical from \$2,500 to \$20,000 and annually index the exemption to meet the inflation CPI. (Submitted by the BINMIC Action Committee)

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Implementor OED Matrix PS4

Activity

BINMIC Promotion. The City of Seattle shall establish a working group with local and State economic development organizations such as the Seattle-King County Economic Development Council and Washington State Community Trade and Economic Development Department to highlight the character and advantages of the BINMIC area. Member(s) of the BINMIC Committee and Manufacturing Council of Seattle shall be a part of the working group.

<u>PS4: 1 of 1</u> **Sub-Activity** 

Promote BINMIC interests by establishing a cross-agency/departmental group to work with and support the Maritime and Manufacturing industries.

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2004 Priority Summary: The City's Action Plan to support both the Maritime and Manufacturing sectors is designed to support the entire sector, rather than a specific geography or neighborhood. Certainly, a lot of the maritime industry is in BINMIC, so there will be some natural overlap, and certainly BINMIC will benefit

greatly from the action plan. The overall promotion and support of these sectors will naturally help the BINMIC. At this point, the IDT is not including a state/federal component [Laura Lutz, OED]

OED is the lead for maritime efforts in the City. OED has commissioned and completed an economic impact study of the maritime industry (including fishing) in Seattle, which includes an assessment of maritime activity on the waterfront. The comprehensive study provides a strong overview of the competitive advantage of this cluster, as well as the needs of the fishing industry. While the study does not directly discuss farm land and open space it is quite sufficient in encompassing the impact, presence and needs of this industry. In addition, OED is currently facilitating and leading and interdepartmental team to create an action plan to better support the Maritime and Manufacturing industries in the city, including BINMIC. The action plan will be released in mid-March. [Steve Johnson, OED]

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Target Completion2004/2Estimated CostN/AStatusIn-ProgressLead Agency/ContactOED; Laura Lutz, 684-4538PriorityFourth

Implementor OED Matrix PS1.2

Activity

Financing Local Improvement Districts. Explore use of local improvement districts (L.I.D.), utility local improvement districts (U.L.I.D.), grant matching funds and industrial development bonds for financing joint public and private infrastructure improvements

PS1.2: 1 of 1 Sub-Activity Financing local improvement districts.

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2004 Priority Summary: Laura Lutz of the Office of Economic Development (OED) will follow up with the BINMIC Action Committee to clarify the objectives and target geographic area within the Ballard Interbay Manufacturing Industrial Center, and determine potential fit with the Mayor's Manufacturing and Maritime Action Agenda.

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Supporting OIR's legislative efforts in Olympia. [Steve Johnson, OED]

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